GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
LOK SABHA

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF STUDY GROUP
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Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Study Group on North-east set up to curb flow of development funds to militants operating in theregion has submitted its recommendations;

(b) If so, its main findings, observations and suggestions ;and

(c) the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir. The study group has submitted its first set of recommendations.

(b) The recommendations of the study group include measures to improve governance, accelerate development and cultural integration of North East with the rest of the country. It is also the perception of the study group that some of the developments funds are being siphoned off.

(c) The study group is in process of discussing those recommendations with the concerned North Eastern States and a meeting has already taken place with the Government of Assam.